

Restoration Fellowship Mission "Gather, Equip, and Commission Disciples of Jesus."
Matthew 28:18-20

1. We are moving deeper into our destiny with practical steps on how we walk out our mission in practical ways. We desire to use the entirety of our vision document to know what to say yes to and what to say no to.

WHAT WE DO:

GATHER	EQUIP	COMMISSION
<p><i>Heb 10:25, Col 3:15-17, Ps 34:3, Acts 1:14, Matt 18:20, Acts 2:42-47</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sunday services• Life groups and small groups• Worship nights• Prayer room/House of Prayer	<p><i>Eph 4:11-16, 1 Tim 3:16-17, 1 Thess. 5:11</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bible studies• Ministry training• Worship training• CEC (Children's Ministry)• Tribe (Youth + Young Adults Ministry)• Marriage + Family Ministry• Forerunner Message• The gospel Genesis to Revelation• Discipleship• 5-Fold Ministry	<p><i>Matt 28:18-20, Luke 9:1-6, Luke 10:1-12</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Evangelism• Missions the gospel goes forth to every nation• Outreach

- a. Our goal in shared leadership is to stir one another up in biblical foundation, the spiritual disciplines, and the gifts of the Spirit. Each of us has something to bring to the table. Not just partaking but giving of ourselves.
- b. We must be bold and put ourselves out there in the heart of submission to leadership.
- c. We are not lone wolves but a body that walks together in love!
- d. We are a part of the greater body of Christ in Pagosa, in Colorado, in America, and the world. We encourage one another, support each other, and walk into the destiny of eternity and the return of Jesus!

2. GATHER:

- a. Hebrews 10:25 "not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting *one another*, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching."

- i. We believe that we are living in key times to the "Day approaching" of the return of Jesus. I don't think that this means we put on a show because we think Jesus is coming soon, but instead, have something we are looking towards in the race of our Christian walk.
- b. Corporate gathering is the low hanging fruit in this calling. Sunday mornings, Thursday night worship nights, prayer meetings are all in corporate settings. We are called to encourage one another in teaching and admonishment through learning the Word of God, worshipping corporately, public prophecy, etc. Colossians 3:15-17
 - i. Corporate engagement. Showing up is not enough. We must be engaged with our spirits and minds. To bring something to the table when we gather together. This could be asking the Lord for an encouraging word of prophecy, or a verse, or just intercession. This does not mean only give. Corporate engagement is engaging in receiving as well. The Lord calls us to freely give as we freely receive.
- c. Lifegroup is THE place where we gather as RF to go deeper. To share and break bread together, to practice the gifts of the Spirit, to encourage, to pray and intercede, to ask the hard questions, and go deeper in the word. Part of community living is healthy conflict! Acts 2:42-47
 - i. Without conflict unity is merely complacency. Part of gathering is engaging in healthy conflict. Feeling the freedom to approach one another with hurts, correction, and honest feelings. This obviously must be done from a place of love. An equally important aspect is being open to correction with humility. Not to be defensive but to take every word before the Lord. If it is not biblical or not true come back and bring this to them. Matthew 18:15-20

3. EQUIP

- a. Equipping in the context of shared leadership looks more like a chain link and less like a pyramid. When we add to the body we link together and encourage one another in foundational teachings, spiritual gifts, and the spiritual disciplines.

- b. To equip in this context means we all must be a strong link. We are not called to sit back and just get fed but to give of ourselves. We have heard the difference between the sea of Galilee and the Dead Sea. The sea of Galilee has a source that flows in and an outlet keeping life abundantly flowing. The Dead Sea is on the opposite side of only receiving but not having an outlet. The Dead Sea is 9 times more salty than the regular ocean. People become "salty" when they do not have a healthy flow. This includes all resources. Time, Money, and capacity.
- c. Serve from a place of REST. It is a commandment to set aside a day for Sabbath. To rest and rejuvenate. A rule of thumb if you are wondering what a sabbath day looks like: "Is it restful and is it holy?" This could look like splitting wood, it could look like reading, or soaking, or playing golf.
 - i. The 2.5 rule. Work in your gifting but not ONLY in your gifting.
- d. AREAS TO SERVE
 - i. Restoration Kids & Nursery
 - ii. Screens, sound, creative, and worship team
 - iii. Prayer team. Starting to keep the fire burning with prayer sets.
 - iv. Lifegroup leadership
 - v. Security team
 - vi. Welcome and hospitality
 - vii. Food pantry
 - viii. IT, Facilities, Media
 - ix. Youth & Tribe
 - x. New believers
 - xi. Local evangelism and Missions
 - xii. Be apart of a committee
- e. **We are called to serve. The greatest lie that has plagued the universal Body of Christ is the lie of retirement.** We were made for a race that goes till either death or the return of Jesus! Run the race well.
- f. If you are not experiencing turmoil in the spirit. Spiritual attacks. I would venture to say that you are not a threat to the enemy. Be encouraged when you go through various trials.

"...count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing." James 1:2-4

4. COMMISSION

- a. The deep well of Restoration Fellowship and sending missionaries from this house. We have sent over 80 people through YWAM in the last 30 years. Some of which we are still supporting. Al had a habit of giving room for testimony for not only what was happening abroad but what was happening at college, next door in children's church, what was happening downtown on the street and it fostered stirring one another up in spiritual gifts.
- b. Give room for testimony! Sustained revival comes out of a place of remembering what the Lord has done and being engaged in what He is doing in the same breath. Testimony stirs up what is testified. Testimony is NOT meant to dwell on "the good ol' days" but to see where The Lord is moving today in that way.
 - i. Testimony of salvation and baptism stirs up the possibility in our hearts that an unsaved person we know may be encountered. Or that our children can encounter the power of God through us as parents. Or our friends and colleagues.
 - ii. Testimony of Healing, casting out demons, and other signs and wonders, stirs up FAITH that we can do that ourselves through the power of the Holy Spirit.
- c. Our goal in RF is to get our body healthy once more. To pour in finances, resources and time to equip the saints. BUT it cannot end there we are called to bring the Good News of the GOSPEL to the ends of the earth. We must start in our spheres of influence though. We will get to the point where there is no willing heart left and then we look to the nations.